GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4510
ANSWERED ON:22.04.2003
GRANT TO CHANDIGARH MUNICIPAL CORPORATION
PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the grant-in-aid provided by Chandigarh UT Administration to Municipal Corporation during each of the last three years;

(b) the percentage of the total revenue of the UT Administration that this grant-in-aid represented;

(c) whether the majority of functions entailing heavy expenditure were transferred by the UT Administration to the Municipal Corporation;

(d) if so, whether the grants-in-aid are not commensurate to the functions so transferred and the Chandigarh Administration itself incurred proportionately bigger amounts on these services before the Municipal Corporation came into being;

(e) whether UT Chandigarh is other-wise is a revenue surplus State;

(f) if so, the reasons for not devolving sufficient funds to the Municipal Corporation for performing multifarious public utility functions;

(g) whether the Delhi Finance Commission has recommended grant of 17% of the UT revenue to the Municipal Corporation with effect from 2000-2001; and

(h) the reasons for not accepting the recommendation?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSO PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK)

(a)&(b): The requisite information is given below:-

Year	Grant-in-aid given	Percentage of total revenue
2000-01	Rs.66.60 crores	10.96%
2001-02	Rs.73.75 crores	11.02%
2002-03	Rs.82.04 crores	11.23%

(c): None of the functions not included in the Twelfth Schedule of the Constitution has been transferred to the Corporation.

(d): No, Sir.

(e): Chandigarh Administration has a positive Balance from Current Revenue.

(f) The Grant-in-aid released to the Municipal Corporation Chandigarh is commensurate with the expenditure incurred on the functions transferred to it.

(g)&(h): Yes, Sir. The Commission has recommended that 17% of the tax revenue of the Chandigarh Administration be transferred to the Municipal Corporation as grant-in-aid in respect of each of the five years of the award. This recommendation is under active consideration of the Government.